



SAN DIEGO COUNTY INDIAN GAMING LOCAL COMMUNITY BENEFIT COMMITTEE

Application Form For FY 2013-2014 Grants

- A. Name of Jurisdiction: North County Fire Protection District
- B. Mailing Address of Jurisdiction: 330 S. Main Ave_Fallbrook, CA, 92028_
- C. Name of Project: <u>Incident Command Vehicle Replacement</u>
- D. Impacts are associated with which casino(s)? Pala, Pauma, Rincon
- E. The following uses are the priorities for receipt of grant money. Please check all the priorities the project satisfies:

Law Enforcement	Fire Services X	Emergency Medical Services X
Environmental Impacts	Water Supplies	Waste Disposal
Behavioral Health	Public Health	Planning and Adjacent Land Uses
Roads	Recreation and Youth Programs	Child Care Programs

- F. On a separate sheet, please provide the following: (see attached)
 - 1) A complete description of the project;
 - 2) Evidence showing the relationship between the project and impacts on your jurisdiction associated with the particular casino(s) listed under "D" above,

and data linking the percentage of the requested funding to the percentage of impacts associated with particular casinos (include the data source); and

3) An explanation of how the proposed project will mitigate impacts of casino(s).

AB 2515 (2012) amended Government Code Section 12715(b)(1)(A) establishing all application policies and procedures for grants from the Individual Tribal Casino Account or County Tribal Casino Account. Each grant application shall clearly show how the grant will mitigate the impact of the casino on the grant applicant. Maps, tables, data and/or a descriptions should be attached to this application to provide an explanation and documentation for the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee. This information is necessary for the IGLCBC to review and to make a determination of how the grant mitigates proportional share and compliance with all requirements established in Government Code Section 12715(b)(1)(A).

- G. Type of grant for which you are applying: (Check each that applies)
- 1. 60% Nexus Grant (note that only County of San Diego Offices and Departments are eligible for this type of grant)¹ _____
- 2. 20% Non-Nexus Grant _____

These "20% Non-Nexus Grants" are intended only for local jurisdictions (County, cities and special districts) impacted by Barona and/or Sycuan Casinos.

3. 20% Non-Nexus Grant X

These "20% Non-Nexus Grants" are intended for local jurisdictions (County, cities and special districts) impacted by casinos of Tribes NOT paying into the Special Distribution Fund² and for assistance to local jurisdictions for one-time large capital projects.

- H. What is the project's estimated time frame? <u>July 2014 December 2014</u>
- I. Proportionate share of the project expenditure that mitigates the impact from the casino(s): 50%
- J. Amount of funding requested through this application: \$ 47,674
- K. What will be the total cost of the project? \$95,348
- L. If total cost of the project exceeds amount of funding requested, please name other sources of funding that will be contributed to the project and the amount

¹ County of San Diego is the only "local government jurisdiction" that meets two or more nexus criteria.

² Campo, La Jolla (proposed), La Posta, Pala, Pauma, Rincón, San Pasqual, Santa Ysabel and Viejas Bands.

provided by each source: <u>The balance of the funds will come from the District General Fund.</u>

M. On a separate sheet, please describe how you intend to meet the requirement that grant recipients must provide notice to the public, either through a slogan, signage or other mechanism, which states that the project has received funding from the Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund and further identifies the particular Individual Tribal Casino Account from which the grant derives. (see attached)

Please e-mail the complete Application to <u>Eric.Lardy@sdcounty.ca.gov</u> **AND** hand-deliver or mail a copy with the page containing the original Authorized Signature to the following address **by March 26, 2014**.

County of San Diego Attn. Mr. Eric Lardy 1600 Pacific Highway Room 212, MS A6 San Diego, CA 92101

I, <u>Ed Sprague</u>, hereby acknowledge that the grant funds requested herein shall be used solely for the purpose that to the best of my knowledge mitigates impacts from casino projects. In compliance with AB 158, I agree to ensure that all grant funds received shall be deposited in <u>a separate</u> interest-bearing account; and at the completion of the project, I agree to <u>return any earned interest or cost savings</u> from the project to the County for reallocation by the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee.

Submitted by: Ed Spr	ague	Title: Deputy Fire Chief, NCFPD
(Print	name)	Date: March 20, 2014
(Authorized Signature)		
CONTACT PERSON:	Name: Captain G	reg Wilson, NCFPD
	Phone: <u>760-845-</u>	2886
	Fax: <u>760-723-20</u> 4	14
	E-mail Address:	gwilson@ncfire.org

North County Fire Protection District

San Diego County Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee

FY 2013-2014 Incident Command Vehicle Replacement Cost Sharing Project

F1. Description of the Project

The North County Fire Protection District (NCFPD) is requesting funds in the amount of \$47,674.00 to assist us with the purchase of a new Battalion Chief Command Vehicle. The amount requested represents a one-half cost share partnership with the San Diego County Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee. The Command Vehicle will be placed into service at the NCFPD Headquarters Station which is located on the northern end of the District. This Command Vehicle is responsible for coverage of the greater than 90 square mile North County Fire Protection District adjacent to the western boundary of the Pala Band of Mission Indians Reservation. "First in" areas include both Interstate-15 and State Route-76, the principal transportation corridors for visitors to Pala and Pauma Casinos. Additionally, this vehicle serves as the "second-due" incident command unit to the Pala Reservation and responds there under a "dropped boundary" automatic-aid agreement.

This Command Vehicle is the closest continually staffed non-tribal incident command unit that provides assistance to the Pala Indian Reservation on large scale incidents. As previously stated, NCFPD and Pala have entered into automatic aid and "dropped boundary" agreements facilitating the sharing of all resources for our customers. Resources are shared with Pauma on a mutual aid basis. NCFPD, Pala, and Pauma share a common dispatch center and communications plan.

About the District

NCFPD is a combination fire department serving an area of 92 square miles in northern San Diego County, California including the communities of Fallbrook, Bonsall, and Rainbow. The community can best be described as suburban with a limited urban area (town center). In addition, the District serves another 90 square miles within its "sphere of influence", that is, we are the closest available emergency medical and firefighting resource for these areas which to the east borders the Pala Indian Reservation. The total population served by NCFPD is approximately 49,000. The District operates five stations staffed with career and

part-time reserve firefighters and one station that is 100% volunteer. A single onduty Battalion Chief provides response for command of emergencies to the entire geographic area. All paid personnel are trained to the State equivalent of NFPA 1001 Firefighter II level.

Project Funding

The requested amount of \$47,674.00 will cover one-half of the \$95,348.00 cost to purchase and equip the type of Command Vehicle utilized by the District and staffed 24/7 by the on-duty Battalion Chief. The remaining costs will come from the District's general fund. The funds requested in this project represent a cost sharing partnership with the IGLCBC and our best assessment of NCFPD calls for service related to travelers transiting though the District en route to Pala, Pauma, and Rincon casinos as well as direct responses to reservation properties.

NCFPD is not unlike the vast majority of special district jurisdictions in San Diego County that have experienced significant revenue reductions the past 6 years. Because of this an increasing percentage of District funds are utilized simply to maintain existing service levels. Several large capital projects such as the replacement of emergency vehicles have been deferred. The District's ability to fund this project solely with general fund revenues without the assistance of our community partners and their funding programs is limited. Concurrently, we recognize that the IGLCBC should not bear the burden of 100% of this project's cost.

F2. Project Relationship to Area Casinos

Statistical Data

The statistical information that was obtained to analyze response data and traffic volume for Interstate-15 and State Route-76 comes from the following sources:

- Firehouse RMS Software (program utilized by the District to report incident data to the State and Federal Government NFIRS) 2011-2013
- Visinet Software (program utilized by NorthComm JPA, which provides dispatch services to NCFPD, Pala Reservation Fire, Pauma Reservation Fire, and 12 additional Fire and EMS agencies within northern San Diego County. 2011-2013

- California Highway Patrol (Beat 65 and 28 State Route 76 Corridor Collision Statistics 2007-2013)
- Tribal Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Pala Casino and Spa Expansion Project, Dated March 28, 2007 (Final)
- State Route 76 South Mission Road to Interstate 15 Highway Improvement Project, Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR), Dated January 2012
- Caltrans, Reservation Transportation Authority, SANDAG Report: <u>San</u>
 <u>Diego, California: A Tribal Consortium Enhances Tribal/State Coordination</u>
 <u>Efforts</u>

Major roadways within the District include 10 miles of Interstate-15, which is the primary inland north-south freeway connecting San Diego to Riverside, San Bernardino, and Los Angeles Counties, and 6 miles of State Route-76, which connects Interstate-15 to the Pala, Pauma and Rincon Indian reservations and casinos. These two roadways are the primary travel routes used by patrons of all three casinos.

Based on an analysis of 2011-2013 data NCFPD responded to an annual average of 456 vehicle related incidents. Of those, 57% (261 annually) were located on Interstate-15 and State Route-76. NCFPD also responded to an additional 44 calls for service (vehicle fires, medical aids, fuel spills, etc) annually for other related emergencies along these transportation corridors. State Route-76 has experienced 10 traffic fatalities in the past three years and has been the subject of the CalTrans public awareness campaign *Safe Driving on 76 Is No Accident.*

NCFPD has realized an increase in call activity in the past several years on both routes. Caltrans predicts traffic volume will double over the next 20 years. State Route-76 is currently undergoing a \$201,000,000 expansion project within the District that will complete widening from Interstate-5 to Interstate-15. These are the principal traffic corridors utilized by residents of San Diego, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Los Angeles Counties to visit the 3 Casino/Resorts referenced in this project.

The 2007 Environmental Impact Study for an expansion of the Pala Casino and Resort identifies, "The proposed project could result in increased demands for law enforcement, fire, and emergency services from off-Reservation stations."

As local Indian Gaming fuels regional economic prosperity, Caltrans EIR projects population growth in the Pala/Pauma area to increase 126% between 2000 and 2030. This is 3 times the San Diego County rate of 42% for the same time period.

F3. Mitigating Casino Impacts

The District is responding to an increasing number of incidents along the SR-76/I-15 roadways ranging from vehicle accidents to medical aids and fires. NCFPD Response Plans require the dispatch of a Battalion Chief for overall incident supervision to most of these requests for service. North County Fire provides this resource (B-1105) from our Headquarters Station located at 315 East Ivy Road in Fallbrook. From this station, the Duty Battalion Chief responds to all significant incidents in NCFPD's jurisdiction including Interstate-15 from the Riverside County Line to Deer Springs and State Route-76 from Oceanside to Pala. Additionally, it is the closest off-reservation Command unit to Pala and provides service to the resort and casino on major incidents. As the North County, Pala, and Pauma Fire departments share a common dispatch center, we provide our Command unit as well as all fire and EMS resources to the reservations on a CAD driven "Automatic-Aid" basis.

In our proposed project we look to partner with the San Diego County Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee to replace our aging Command Vehicle which is already a year past its scheduled replacement date. This unit has provided years of service to not just the residents of the District but to guests, patrons, employees and residents both visiting and transiting to and from local casinos. Specifically, our Command Vehicle replacement project is proposed on a cost sharing basis with the IGLCBC as we estimate that mitigating local casino gaming represents approximately one-half of this unit's activity.

M. Providing Notice to the Public

North County Fire Protection District will accomplish notifying the public of this grant in three ways. First, there will be a press release in the UT/North County Times on the funds that were received. (See attached Press Release for FY2012-2013 SDF Award)

Second, we will place graphics similar to that currently displayed on the ambulance and engine pictured below that indicates our funding partnership with the Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund.

Third, we plan to have a formal presentation at one of our District Board of Directors Meetings to acknowledge the grant.

The District would like to thank the IGLCBC and all involved for their consideration of our proposal.

NCF Engine-1114 Graphic acknowledging NCFPD/IGSDF partnership (FY 2010-2011)





2013 NCFPD incident –
E-1114 on scene of tour bus
rollover on I-15
Bus destined for Valley View
Casino
21 Patients transported

NCF Medic-1194 partially funded through NCFPD/IGSDF partnership (FY 2012-2013)



NCF Medic Ambulance-1194 Graphic acknowledging NCFPD/IGSDF partnership (FY 2012-2013)





2013 NCFPD incident -

B-1105 in current Command Vehicle (pictured lower left) on scene of tour bus rollover on I-15 Bus destined for Valley View Casino

Incident Commander for San Diego County Mass Casualty Incident

2012 NCFPD incident – Pala Casino employee involved in traffic collision on SR-76

